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JUNE 29, FROM LONDON RPTD TO YOU:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 07537

E. O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: MARR, PARM, NATO, UK

SUBJECT: ROSE TO HEAD BRITISH MBFR TEAM

1. CLIVE ROSE, ASSISTANT UNDERSECRETARY IN FCO, HAS BEEN SELECTED TO HEAD BRITISH MBFR NEGOTIATING TEAM IN TALKS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT VIENNA IN OCTOBER. ROSE IS WELL- KNOWN IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE FOUND HIM TO BE CAREFUL AND SOUND, THOUGH UNSPECTACULAR DIPLOMAT WHO UNDERSTANDS AND IS REASONABLY SYMPATHETIC WITH US SECURITY INTERESTS AND CONCERNS. WE WOULD EXPECT HIM TO BE LESS DISPOSED THAN JOHN THOMSON WAS DURING THE VIENNA NEGOTIATIONS JUST COMPLETED TO INJECT HIS PERSONAL VIEWS OR TO OPERATE ON HIS OWN. RATHER HE WILL FOLLOW HIS INSTRUCTIONS CLOSELY AND BE DOGGED AND PERSISTENT IN THEIR ADVOCACY.

2. ROSE CONFIRMED HIS SELECTION AS " SPECIAL AMBASSADOR" TO EMBOFF TODAY AND SAID HE WILL BE LEAVING HIS PRESENT
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POST AT FCO IN OCTOBER TO TAKE UP NEW POSITION. WE
UNDERSTAND FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROSE' S APPOINTMENT
IS TO BE MADE ON 2 JULY.

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